

## Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting held via Zoom (teleconferencing) on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Mr Richard Nicholls, Mrs Clare Grace, Mr Richard Clegg, Mr Mark Priestner, Mr Paul Beckmann, Mr Bob Jones, Mrs Gaye Fletcher, Cllr Dr Karen Barclay

**Apologies:** Mrs Lucy Houghton, Cllr Sean Anstee, Cllr Claire Churchill

### **Minutes.**

Minutes of meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November were duly approved by the Council.

### **Matters arising.**

There were no matters arising.

### **Finance**

Our Bank Balance stands at £4,814.58. The reimbursement of £2,708.77 VAT has been chased up. A statement for a precept has been drawn up ready for submission at the appropriate time.

### **Cross Base**

Following the enquiry with our insurers, claim reference number 12200050194 has been awarded though there is no confirmation that a claim can be made. More information regarding this has been requested by the insurers.

### **Pavements in Warburton**

A meeting will take place in January after the winter leaf-clearing programme to discuss with Trafford Council the safety of our pavements.

### **Neighbourhood Watch**

A report will be available for our next meeting.

### **Vehicle Accident Log and Road Safety Analysis**

By liaising with our PCSO it was identified that we need to set up a training course based in Warburton for speed guns and identify suitable locations for their use.

### **Memorials**

As a policy from Trafford had not yet been forthcoming, a draft policy had been prepared by WPC. Cllr Barclay had suggested we hold back on it as she had tried relentlessly to further this item. It appears any new policy has to go through so many departments for approval and we understand it is now with the Legal Department. Social media comments were impacting severely on one resident and PCSO Simon Elliott had been in touch with her. All agreed that balloons and lights were hazardous and something needs to be done quickly.

### **Memorial Benches**

We learnt that many Parish Councils have a policy whereby people contribute to a fund for memorial benches which could be placed at suitable locations. It would appear £700 is a reasonable amount for a bench plus fixing costs and a plaque, say £1,000 in total. This item could be visited when writing up the NP. The state of the bench in Dunham Road near to Gorsey Lane was mentioned and Cllr Barclay offered to find the contact for benches at Trafford. Bob Jones would take photos to send her. We will review this at our next meeting.

### **Correspondence.**

- E-mail from a resident about disappearing lamp posts. The lamp posts were cut down following a structural survey and have been removed for health & safety reasons. They will be replaced and the resident advised.
- Letters of thanks had been sent to Paul Beckmann, Killian Garvey and Mike Nevell following the conclusion of the Redrow hearing.
- Trafford were advised about the flooding in Moss Lane.
- We had been advised the South Trafford Communities Officer was leaving.
- The replacement litter bin at the bus stop in Paddock Lane had been chased up

- Trafford had requested information on any help groups in Warburton.

### **Bus Stops on Dunham Road/Moss Brow & General Maintenance**

The sites are classed as rural verges with a frequency of three flail cuts per year with the last cut due in October. Teams were sent out in October to complete this work.

### **Bus Service**

Warrington's Own Buses have deemed it unsafe for the CAT5 bus to continue the service through Dunham because the signage on the bridge/s is unclear. Pressure would be put on Trafford to resolve this as quickly as possible.

### **Pavement in Dunham Road**

It was suggested that we bring legal action under Section 130A of the Highways Act 1980 against Trafford in order to reinstate the pavement running along Dunham Road. It has previously been brought to the attention of an officer from Trafford who thought the cost of reinstating it would be prohibitive and that it would need to be put before the Finance Committee for major funding. However, safety of pedestrians along this derestricted road is paramount. Cllr Barclay will contact the Planning and Legal Departments. It is possible that Section 106 money from the Barnes Lane development could help. A Grounds Maintenance Supervisor will visit the area and establish what work needs to be carried out. An update will be forthcoming. (CC)

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

Much work has been done on identifying footpaths in Warburton and the one which runs to the south of Warburton Park should be reinstated. Trafford's documentation on this suggests in the first instance writing to the land owner which has been done. This communication will probably be referred to the Land Agents. The NP would need to be formally accepted by Trafford and a good starting point would be to adopt a vision and mission for the village. It would need to identify the historical aspect.

### **Trafford Bin Collections**

Confusion seems to reign with what can be recycled in the black bins. Trafford have confirmed there are no sustainable end markets for pots, tubs and trays as, even though they may be labelled the same type, they are of a lower grade plastic. We will again request a representative of Veolia to speak to us.

### **Friends of Carrington Moss**

We have recently been introduced to FOCM who are very concerned that the proposed housing development in Carrington will be built on Carrington Moss, a huge area that is essential for decarbonising air pollutants. They have recently written to our MP giving the reasons they object to HS2 and the wider environmental damage it will cause.

### **Defibrillator**

There was discussion about the siting of this equipment and the topic will be covered in the new year.

### **Planning Applications.**

There have been no new planning applications to date.

### **Barns Lane Development (Panflora Nursery)**

The developers have taken on board our comments from the last meeting and have amended the layout accordingly. It is disappointing that the number of dwellings have only been reduced to seven but the overall plan is encouraging. We are yet to see finalised drawings.

### **Redrow Developments**

The hearing finished on 13<sup>th</sup> November and the Planning Inspector called a halt to any further communication on 10<sup>th</sup> December. We now await her decision.

### **Greater Manchester Spatial Framework 2020 – GMSF**

We were advised that Stockport has not voted for GM's proposals and it is likely the remaining 9 boroughs will go it alone. The expected Local Plan isn't yet complete and currently Trafford are bound by their Core Strategy and Unitary Development Plan (UDP).

**Historical Aspects of Warburton**

During the Redrow Appeal it became apparent that Warburton has a lot of history and the PC is considering creating a heritage trail which will be meaningful to both visitors and residents alike. A working party of CG, PB and BJ was set up.

**Points of Interest**

MM, on behalf of WPC, has responded to the HS2 Phase 2b consultation. We learnt of a person willing to undertake small jobs in the area.

**Date of next meeting:**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021

Chairman's signature



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